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# **DETAILED ACTION**

1. The finality of previous Office Action dated October 13, 2004 is withdrawn due to a new ground of rejection.

# Status of the Claims

Claims 8-13 are pending.

Applicants' amendment filed March 16, 2005 is acknowledged. Applicants' response has been fully considered. Claims 1-3, 5-7 and 14-16 have been cancelled. Therefore, claims 8-13 are examined.

#### **Objection Withdrawn**

3. The previous objection to the specification regarding new matter and "ATCC Deposit No." is withdrawn in view of applicants' amendment to the specification, applicant's cancellation of claim 2, and applicants' response at page 3 in the amendment filed March 16, 2005.

## Rejection Withdrawn

# Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

4. The previous rejection of claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, is withdrawn in view of applicants' cancellation to the claim, and applicants' response at page 3 in the amendment filed March 16, 2005.

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

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5. Claim 11 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention.

Claim 11 is directed to the use of antibodies of 9A11, 25 D6, 11E1, 16G5 and 3F4A, which have been generally against Csp2 (page 134, lines 12-20), in the method of identifying a compound that modulates the activity or level of a calcipressin (Csp) protein. It is apparent that 9A11, 25 D6, 11E1, 16G5 and 3F4A antibodies are required to practice the claimed invention. As required elements, they must be known and readily available to the public or obtainable by a repeatable method set forth in the specification. If they are not so obtainable or available, the enablement requirements of 35 USC 112, first paragraph, may be satisfied by a deposit of the pertinent cell lines / hybridomas which produce these antibodies. See 37 CFR 1.801-1.809

In addition to the conditions under the Budapest Treaty, applicant is required to satisfy that all restrictions imposed by the depositor on the availability to the public of the deposited material will be irrevocably removed upon the granting of a patent in U.S. patent applications.

Amendment of the specification to recite the date of deposit and the complete name and address of the depository is required. As an additional means for completing the record, applicant may submit a copy of the contract with the depository for deposit and maintenance of each deposit.

Applicant is reminded that the following and should amend the specification accordingly.

The current address of the ATCC is as follows:

American Type Culture Collection, 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209.

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If the original deposit is made after the effective filing date of an application for patent, the applicant should promptly submit a verified statement from a person in a position to corroborate the fact, and should state, that the biological material which is deposited is a biological material specifically identified in the application as filed, except if the person is an attorney or agent registered to practice before the Office, in which the case the statement need not be verified. See MPEP 1.804(b).

## NOTE THE CURRENT ATCC DEPOSITORY ADDRESS

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# Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

6. Claim 11 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claim 11 is indefinite because 9A11, 25 D6, 11E1, 16G5 and 3F4A are designated names for the antibodies in the laboratory, it is not clear what these antibodies are.

#### Conclusion

7. Claim 11 is rejected, and it appears that claims 8-10 and 12-13 are free of art and allowable.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Chih-Min Kam whose telephone number is (571) 272-0948. The examiner can normally be reached on 8.00-4:30, Mon-Fri.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jon Weber can be reached at 571-272-0925. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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